

in the last session of Parliament), at or near a certain field called or commonly known by the name of Big Shea, the property of the Earl of Sefton, and occupied by Thomas Birch, or his undertenants, and lying and being in the township of Kirkby, in the parish of Walton-on-the-Hill, in the county of Lancaster, and terminating by a junction with the North Union Railway, at or near a certain point where the railway, formerly called the Bolton and Preston Railway, joins the original line of the North Union Railway, in the township of Euxton, in the said county of Lancaster, which said railway and other works are intended to be made, and to pass from, in, through, or into the several parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial, and other places of Sephton, Aintree, Kirkby, Walton-on-the-Hill, Simonswood, Maghull, Melling, Cuncough, Mellingcum-Cuncough, Lydiate, Halsall, Bickerstaffe, Aughton, Ormskirk, Lathom, Burscough, Rufford, Bispham, Mawdesley, Croston, Heskin, Eccleston, Wrightington, Leyland, Euxton and Chorley, or some of them, all in the said county of Lancaster.

And also a railway extending from the said intended main line of railway at the junction thereof, with the North Union Railway as aforesaid, and terminating by a junction with the Blackburn and Preston Railway, now in the course of construction, at or near a certain place called or known by the name of Cherry Tree House, in the township of Livesey, in the parish of Blackburn, which said last-mentioned extension of the said intended main line of railway, will pass from, in, through, or into the several parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial and other places of Eccleston aforesaid, Euxton, Whittle-in-le-Woods, Heapy, Clayton-in-le-Woods, Wheelton, Withnell, Hoghton, Leyland aforesaid, Brindle, Chorley, Tockholes, Feniscowles, Lower Darwen, Pleasington, Livesey, Witton, Mellor, and Blackburn, or some of them, all in the said county of Lancaster.

And also another railway or branch railway, extending from the said last-mentioned intended extension, at the junction thereof with the Blackburn and Preston Railway as aforesaid, and terminating at or near a certain street called Darwen Street, in the said township and parish of Blackburn, which said last-mentioned railway, or branch railway, will pass from, in, through, or into the several townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial and other places of Pleasington, Feniscowles, Livesey, Witton, Tockholes, Lower Darwen, Mellor, and Blackburn, or some of them, all in the said county of Lancaster.

And also a branch railway diverging from and out of the said intended main line of railway, firstly hereinbefore described, to commence at or near to Lydiate Lane, near the town of Ormskirk, in the township and parish of Ormskirk, in the said county of Lancaster, and to terminate at or near the intersection of Chapel Street and Church Street, in Southport, in the township of North Meols, in the parish of North Meols, in the said county of Lancaster, which said last-mentioned branch railway is intended to be made, and to pass from, in, through, or into the several parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial and other

places of Ormskirk, Burscough, Scarisbrick, Snape, Blowick, Ranacres, Southport, Birkdale, Halsall, and North Meols, or some of them, all in the said county of Lancaster.

And also a branch railway diverging from and out of the said intended main line of railway, firstly hereinbefore described, to commence in the township of Ormskirk, at or near to Greetby Hill, in the parish of Ormskirk, in the said county of Lancaster; and to terminate at or near to Blague Gate collieries or coal pits, in the said township of Lathom, in the said parish of Ormskirk; in the said county of Lancaster, which said last mentioned branch railway is intended to be made and to pass from, in, through, or into the several parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial, and other places of Ormskirk, Burscough, Lathom, Bickerstaffe, and Skelmersdale, or some of them, all in the said county of Lancaster.

And it is intended to apply for powers to make lateral deviations from the lines of the said railways, and branch railways respectively, as laid down on the plans deposited as hereinafter mentioned, to the extent or within the limits defined on the said plans; and also to cross, divert, alter, or stop up all such turnpike roads, parish roads, and other highways, streams, canals, navigations, railways, and tramways, rivers, drains, brooks, and watercourses, within the said parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial, and other places aforesaid, or some of them, as it may be necessary to cross, divert, alter, or stop up, for the purposes of the proposed works.

And also powers authorizing junctions with any other railway or railways, at their commencement or termination, or in the line or course of such railways respectively, in the several parishes, townships, chapelries, hamlets, or extra-parochial, and other places aforesaid, or some of them.

And it is also proposed by the said intended Act or Acts to incorporate a company for the purpose of making, maintaining, working and using the said railways, branch railways, and works, and to obtain powers to purchase houses, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, by compulsion or agreement, for the purposes aforesaid, and to alter, vary, or extinguish all or any rights or privileges in any manner connected with or incident to such houses, lands, tenements, and hereditaments respectively, or which can in any manner impede or interfere with the execution of the aforesaid works, and to levy tolls, rates, or duties, upon or in respect of the said proposed railways, branch railways, and works, and to confer such exemptions from the payment of tolls, rates, and duties, and also to confer such rights and privileges as to such company so to be incorporated as aforesaid shall seem meet.

And it is also intended to take powers by the said Act or Acts to enable the company thereby to be incorporated as aforesaid, to let on lease or sell the said intended railways, branch railways, and works, or any part or parts thereof respectively, to the North Union Railway Company, the Liverpool and Bury Railway Company, and the Blackburn and Preston Railway Company, or to any or either of them, and to enable the said railway companies, or any or either of them, to purchase or rent and